

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, January 15, 2018, is celebrated nationally and by the City of Salem as the observance of the birthday of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King is recognized as a leader in the movement to establish civil and human rights for all people; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King focused on building peaceful communities based upon equality and justice; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has reaffirmed the personal liberties of its residents and does not tolerate any violation of their civil and human rights; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of the life of Dr. King helps honor those who contributed to Salem's diverse history and culture; and

WHEREAS, the recognition and study of Dr. King's life and work helps assure a rich and diverse community future; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chuck Bennett, Mayor of the City of Salem, Oregon, do hereby proclaim the day of January 15, 2018, as

REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., DAY OF RECOGNITION

and urge all residents to reflect and learn about his life's work so that the community will continue to uphold and respect the civil and human rights of every individual.

DATED this eighth day of January, 2018.



Chuck Bennett
Mayor